

Interview Summary

Application No.

10/800,149

Applicant(s)

FRANK, PETER ANDREW

Examiner

Paul M. West

Art Unit

2856

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Paul M. West.

(3)_____.

(2) Don Bulson.

(4)_____.

Date of Interview: 05 June 2007.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Snelling et al (2002/0011105).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.


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Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant proposed that Snelling et al do not disclose comparing the difference between sensor outputs to a pre-set temperature condition. Examiner agreed to examine the claim limitation more closely with respect to the Snelling reference. Applicant proposed adding the limitation of determining a liquid level within a container under ambient conditions, which Examiner agreed would more clearly distinguish the operation of the invention over the operation of Snelling's liquid level detector.